

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1726

Introduced by Assembly Member Swanson

February 3, 2010

An act to amend Section 6258 of the Penal Code, relating to inmates.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1726, as introduced, Swanson. Inmates: reentry.

Existing law provides that the Secretary of Corrections and Rehabilitation may contract for the establishment and operation of community correctional reentry centers, as specified.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 6258 of the Penal Code is amended to
2 read:
3 6258. (a) ~~The Director of Corrections~~ *Secretary of Corrections*
4 *and Rehabilitation* may contract for the establishment and operation
5 of separate community correctional reentry centers for men and
6 women, provided that the per-inmate cost for operating these
7 facilities under contract will be less than the per-inmate cost of
8 maintaining custody of the inmates by the department.
9 (b) The purpose of the community correctional reentry center
10 is to provide an enhancement program to increase the likelihood
11 of a successful parole. The objective of the program is to make
12 the inmates aware of their responsibility to society, and to assist

1 the inmates with educational and employment training to ensure
2 employability once on parole.

3 (c) A community correctional reentry center shall prepare the
4 inmate for reintegration into society. These centers shall provide
5 counseling in the areas of drug and alcohol abuse, stress,
6 employment skills, victim awareness, and shall, in general, prepare
7 the inmate for return to society. The program shall also emphasize
8 literacy training and utilize computer-supported training so that
9 the inmate can read and write at least at a ninth grade level.

10 (d) In awarding contracts pursuant to this section, the ~~director~~
11 *secretary* may entertain proposals for the establishment and
12 operation of community correctional reentry centers from public
13 and private entities and shall give preference to community
14 correctional reentry centers located near large population centers.